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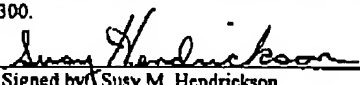
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Title: ATTACHMENT SYSTEM FOR A SANDING TOOL

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT-ELECTION OF SPECIES

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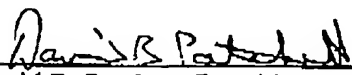
Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's office action dated October 4, 2005, Applicant provisionally elects the species of group I-A, II-A, III-A. The claims which read on the elected species are: 6, 8 and 9. Claims 1-5, 7, 14, 15, 28 and 29 are generic to the elected species.

Should the Examiner determine that a telephone interview would be beneficial in resolving any of the issues in this case, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at the telephone number noted below.

Respectfully submitted,

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